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TO AMEMBASSY PANAMA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:EINV, BDIS, PN

SUBJECT:BOSTON-PANAMA CASE  
REF: (A) STATE 74566, (B) PANAMA 3457

1. WHILE LAWYER MOLINO'S QUALIFICATIONS (REF B) WOULD  
APPEAR EXCELLENT, DEPARTMENT WOULD PREFER NOT HIRING HIM  
IN THIS PARTICULAR INSTANCE. THE FACT THAT HE WAS  
RECOMMENDED BY CARLOS LOPEZ GUEVARA, WHOSE HANDLING OF  
BOSTON PANAMA'S CASE HE WOULD BE REVIEWING, MAY RAISE  
DOUBTS ABOUT THE OBJECTIVITY OF HIS CONCLUSIONS.

2. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT EMBASSY MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO  
FIND A DIFFERENT LAWYER, AND INFORM US NLT JUNE 2. WHILE  
CANDIDATES MUST BE COMPETENT, WE EMPHASIZE THAT THEY NEED  
NOT BE PROMINENT. A YOUNGER LAWYER, WILLING TO COMMIT HIS  
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OR HIS FIRM'S FULL-TIME EFFORT TO COMPLETING THE NECESSARY  
RESEARCH (HOPEFULLY WITHIN 2 OR 3 WEEKS), WOULD BE IDEAL.  
ONE THOUSAND DOLS, FROM ARA AND L FUNDS, IS AVAILABLE TO  
PAY HIM.

3. WE HAVE AGAIN BEEN CONTACTED BY B-P LAWYER JACK HELLER,  
WHOSE COMPLAINTS OF DELAY ARE NOT ENTIRELY WITHOUT MERIT.

WE PLAN TO HOLD OFF ON REPLYING TO HIS LATEST LETTER UNTIL  
WE ARE ABLE TO SAY THAT EMBASSY HAS ACTUALLY HIRED A LAWYER.  
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